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RECONDITIONED POLICE CAR ORDERED FOR SHERIFF DEPT.

## Commission receives \$30,000.00 check

by Marvin McLain, Editor

The second meeting of the year for the Coffee County Commission got off to a good start with Martin Moates, of the NRCS (Natural Resource Conservation Service), presenting Commission Chairman Kayo Lewis with a check for \$30,000.00. The money will be used to fund the ongoing gully repairs throughout the county.

Probate Judge William O. "Bill" Gammill appeared before the commission with a request for help in the Enterprise office.

He presented commissioners with a hand-out that showed figures reflecting the past three months' business conducted in the Enterprise and Elba offices of Probate Court.

Judge Gammill pointed out that the Enterprise office conducted about three times as much business as was conducted in the Elba Office. He noted that the Elba office has three (3) general clerks while the Enterprise office has (4) four general clerks.

"We're doing about 300 percent more work with about 25 percent more clerks in Enterprise," said Gammill.

The judge put the commissioners' minds at ease as he quickly added that he was not asking for three times as many clerks in the Enterprise Probate Office as there are in the Elba Probate Office, but he was asking for one additional clerk to be funded in the Enterprise Office.

He noted that this would not only help with the work load, but would make the office more accessible to the public, allowing them to conduct their business in the Probate Office in a more timely manner.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Len Averett made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Tom Grimsley, that the Judge's request be granted. The vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion with Commissioner Bernest Brooks abstaining.

Commissioners turned to opening bids on a computer system for the District Judge's office and a reconditioned police car for the sheriff's department.

The lone bid on the computer system for the District Judge's office was submitted by L. & K. Micro Supply of San Jose, CA. Their bid was \$5,880.00. County Administrator Wilson Mobley noted that this was well below the amount budgeted for this project which was \$10,000.00.

The commission took no action on the matter and the bid will be given to District Judge Steven Blair to review and decide whether or not

the system meets the specifications set forth in the bid. The county's attorney, Kenneth Fuller, noted that no action was required by the commission since the amount of money involved falls well below the state bid law's required maximum of \$7,500.00.

The pending matter of replacing or repairing a police car for the sheriff's department was once again addressed by the commission.



SHERIFF BEN MOATES

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of negotiating a price differential on the last unit purchased from Pursuit Unlimited that this be incorporated into this purchase. A 1995 Caprice was delivered in lieu of a 1996 on the last purchase and the company had tentatively agreed on a monetary adjustment but no amount had been agreed upon at this time.

Commissioner Dalrymple, who leaned toward repairing the wrecked car, made a motion that all the bids on a reconditioned car be rejected and the low bid on repairing the car be accepted. His motion failed to pass with 3-3 vote. Dalrymple, Westbrook and Stephens voted for the motion and Brooks, Grimsley and Averett voted against and Lewis abstained.

During a discussion period, Commissioner Stephens suggested going ahead and purchasing a new car that is already in the sheriff's budget and retiring the wrecked car which has over 160,000 miles and was reportedly costing the county approximately \$800 per month in maintenance costs. No motion to that effect was made by Stephens.

Commissioner Brooks commented, "I don't see why we should throw good money after bad!" He was referring to repairing the wrecked car.

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## Area Happenings

**ANNUAL CHAMBER BANQUET.** The Elba Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, January 30, 1999, at 6:00 p.m. at the Elba High School cafeteria. The guest speaker for this year's banquet will be Mark Robbins from Montgomery, AL. He has been the master of ceremonies at the Heart of Dixie Bluegrass Festival since it opened in May 1996. Tickets for the events are \$15 each and can be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce office or from any board member.

**PAGEANT MEETING.** A meeting for girls interested in participating in the Miss Elba Pageant has been scheduled for Thursday, February 4, 1999, at 6:00 p.m. at the Elba Public Library. Girls interested in competing for the title of Miss Elba, Junior Miss Elba, Little Miss Elba, or Future Little Miss should attend this meeting. This event is being sponsored by the Elba Chamber of Commerce.

**VIETNAM VETS MEETING.** The Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 373 will hold its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, February 4, 1999, at the Clayhatchee Community Building. The meeting starts promptly at 6:30 p.m. Chapter 373 will host the Statewide Awards Banquet in Enterprise on June 12, 1999. All members and their families are encouraged to attend the upcoming planning meetings. For more information call (334) 347-1426 or (334) 598-8804.

**LOOKING FOR GRADE.** The New Brockton High School Alumni Association and the Olea D. Robertson Foundation are planning the school's 85th reunion to be held in the fall of this year, and need addresses of members. Any graduates not receiving mail from the association are urged to send their address to: New Brockton Alumni Association, P.O. Box 547, New Brockton, AL 36351.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** The American Cancer Society announced that it has opened an office in Enterprise, AL at 557 Glover Avenue Suite 8. The phone number is 308-9619 and fax number is 393-8638. Volunteers are needed to staff the new office.



ALABAMA GOVERNOR DON SIEGELMAN... was sworn in as the state's 56th governor at high noon on Monday, January 18, 1999. Upon taking the oath of office, Siegelman promised to "do great things." Administering the oath of office was former Georgia Governor Zell Miller, who Siegelman said inspired him to run for governor and to support a state lottery for education. While taking the oath, Siegelman's left hand rested on his mother's Bible which was placed on top of the holy book used by Jefferson Davis when he took the oath of office of the Confederacy from the same spot in 1861. Looking on were Siegelman's wife Lori and children Dana and Joseph.

## Elba City Council transfers former Mulberry school property to pre-school days owners

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council voted unanimously Monday evening to return ownership of the Mulberry Baptist Association property to the Mulberry Baptist Association. The Association had deeded the five acres of land to the city for the purpose of building the school buildings. The deeds specified that this was for school purposes only. Therefore, when the Elba schools ceased to use the facility and returned title to the city, it was time to return the property to those who donated it in the beginning.

There had been long discussions for the past several years on the reversion clause. There was some confusion because when the property was later deeded to the school system, the statement about reverting back was omitted, even though it was on the city's deed. When research confirmed the memory of those who were present at the time of the transfer, the wheels began to turn to honor the intent of the deed-signers.

This transfer does not include the five acres on which the hall park is located. That is city-owned property. According to city officials.

A discussion with Bishop Hiron Williams over his desire to purchase the auditorium of the old high school almost reached the boiling point as opposing opinions were expressed.

Mayor James Grimes repeated his position that the property was part of long-range plans the city already has underway. Williams pointed out that nothing was being done with the building when New Abundant Life Church members took the building, cleaned it up and began church services there five years ago.

Grimes told Williams the church does not qualify for purchasing under the Wallace-Cater Act as had been proposed, and selling it would clash with plans to develop a community meeting building on the site.

The mayor said the ideal plan included a community meeting building, classrooms as small business incubators, a room for computer training of local citizens, etc.

The mayor told Harris he would have no objections to the church continuing to use the facility until the city and/or industrial board got renovation grants approved.

Williams said that either way the church will have to go. "It's the same song and dance we got from the last administration," he noted.

the city couldn't afford to fix the roof and wouldn't sell the building. Williams had presented the council with a proposal to buy the building over time (at \$100 per month) with the city fixing, and keeping fixed, the roof on the auditorium and the classrooms he planned to use.

When Councilman Ben Carpenter asked if the city could sell the building under the proposal as presented, Williams quickly said he could change his proposal.

Council member Ronnie Hammond reminded his fellow council members the building was sitting empty when the church took it and made something out of the facility.

Council member John W. Sharpless made a motion concerning the selling of the building and it deadlocked 3-3, with Sharpless, Carpenter and Grimes opposing the sale and Hammond, Gray and Bannin in favor of selling.

Council member Winzel Gray made a motion for the mayor to get together with Bishop Williams and the two of them work out a lease agreement with the amount of rent and space to be included. Prior to

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## Coffee County's EMA Director encourages calling before digging

by Marvin McLain, Editor

The director of Coffee County's Emergency Management Agency urges county residents, town and city street departments and area contractors to exercise extreme caution when doing excavation work.

In Monday's meeting of the Coffee County Commission, EMA Director Charles Webb commented on a recent natural gas explosion which occurred in Northern Alabama - Bridgeport, AL.

In a memorandum to the commission chairman, he noted that the explosion was probably caused by excavating work being done near a gas pipeline. The explosion killed three people, injured several others and did substantial property damage.

He told commissioners that an article in one of the local newspapers last Sunday contained a news release on Alabama One Call, a central point from which one can obtain information on a variety of utility lines.

Webb noted that the article did not contain a phone number for service; however, he was able to obtain the number from the offices of the

Southeast Alabama Gas District. The number for Alabama One Call is 1-800-202-8525.

The organization's sole purpose is to make sure all underground utilities are not compromised. The non-profit Alabama Line Location Center, headquartered in Birmingham, operates the state's only one-call center which excavators, contractors and individuals must notify before they dig. Armed with the information obtained from each call, the Center notifies member utility companies with underground facilities in the area. The utilities then mark their lines prior to the commencement of work, ensuring a clearly defined area where potentially hazardous lines are buried.

In 1995, the state of Alabama, recognizing the need to prevent utility line damage, enacted a "call before you dig" law requiring anyone preparing to dig to contact the Alabama Line Location Center. After notification by the Center, utility companies are required to mark their lines within two business

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**AARP INSTALL OFFICERS.** The Elba AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) Chapter officers were installed by Lloyd Crook at the regular meeting on January 19, 1999. Wilson Newman (center back row), outgoing president, presented the following officers: Floyd Morrow, Vice President (back row left); Neil Gilmer, President (front row left); Donald Lee, Treasurer (back row right); and Elaine Thompson, Secretary (front row right). New members, Joe and Martha Guerrero, were welcomed. AARP meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at the Elba Senior Citizen Center at 6:00 p.m. New members are welcome to attend.



## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

President Clinton's plan to invest part of the Social Security taxes into the stock market sends a scare up the spine. If the government does the investing, then there are the under-the-table payoffs from stock promoters to the federal executives in charge. Leave it to the individual to decide where Social Security taxes are invested - and that brings on many more problems. Remember, every time somebody makes money in a stock, someone else sold at the wrong time, etc. Then, when an individual didn't have enough (or as much as wanted) at retirement, the person would look to the government to make up the difference. But from where? Then there are those of us who are convinced we know the difference between a stock and a bond... a stock is a plow handle (for the juice left from boiling a chicken) and a bond is a close friendship or what we sign to get someone out of jail!

The Wall Street experts paint an even worse picture of this change in investment of Social Security reserves. Now they are, by law, placed in government bonds, but if taken away from that market, interest rates would probably shoot up to attract investors from other sources. That in turn would slow the economy, cost jobs and further reduce the amount of money going into the SS trust fund. Then they also worry about the mindset of company boards when the government was a big stockholder. When political reasons rule decision-making, the results are lackluster at best. One investment economist pointed out that state-run pension funds typically produce returns 2-3% below comparable private pension funds. We remember the howl in Alabama when a legislator wanted to set up an oversight committee to review the investments of the Retirement System of Alabama. Smart folks knew that it wasn't smart to let political reasoning control their future retirement benefits.

However, there are some professionals who point out that the increase of 401(k) accounts has had an impact on the stock market. Those funds are mostly in the big companies and are mostly doing well. The big companies get bigger.

We read a news release this week reviewing a study of Michigan Medicaid-supported pre-school children who are on some sort of mind-controlling drugs (22 different drugs). It reported that in Michigan there are 223 children under age three on Ritalin, Prozac, etc. A number of them are already on the stuff before their first birthday! The writer quoted one expert who blamed the government and drug companies... they made it available and there were always doctors who would do whatever necessary to get the government money. We also place a lot of the blame on parents who would allow such for their children when many are just healthy, active youths (or in some cases - babies).

By the time you read this, the trial of President Bill Clinton in the U.S. Senate may be history. We sense that the senators are desperately looking for some way to turn that tiger loose before he bites. Clinton's handlers are also working toward the same goal, being careful not to repeat the same mistakes of past months when the president made even friends mad with his answers to some very pointed questions about his activities. Most of the TV networks have locked in on this issue for days almost 24 hours a day and personally we have had more than enough of the whole thing. We don't like what happened, don't like the way it has unfolded... from either side... but have had enough.

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## EDITORIAL

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## Alabama's Best Source When The Village Fails . . .

by Dr. Fred Gaimous, Chancellor  
Alabama Dept. of Postsecondary  
Education

Most Alabamians are aware of the tremendous positive impact made by the number of jobs in our state offered by foreign owned international giants such as Dunlop Tire, Gates Rubber, JVC, Mercedes-Benz, Michelin, Mitsubishi, Shell Oil, and Sony. Most Alabamians do not appreciate the impact on jobs in our state made by the 218 other Alabama industrial establishments owned in full or in part by a foreign parent company.

Such companies from 28 nations now operate in Alabama, offering valuable goods, services, and thousands of jobs. These companies offer jobs from Andalusia, Danville and Elba to Theodore, Wetumpka and York. They operate across the state, not just in "the big cities." They produce a vast array of products including customized machine tools, corrugated containers, industrial chemicals and gases, non-clay refractories, non-ferrous machine parts, computerized numerically controlled tools, computer chassis, electric motors, fiber optics, defense hardware, magnetic tape machinery, water heaters, air conditioners, telecommunications equipment, and pharmaceuticals.

Alabama, like the rest of the nation, now operates in a global economy. In fact, the U.S. has become the largest importer of foreign capital. The companies of other countries are offering jobs to Alabamians, and Alabamians are competing with workers in other countries. The levels of knowledge and training, as well as the standards of excellence and performance, expected of workers in other countries are expected of Alabamians.

The global economy is with us in Alabama right now, and it is changing the nature of jobs in

Alabama. The new jobs are different from "drive it, dig it, lift it, or pick it" jobs characteristic of the traditional Alabama economy. Automobile assembly, steelmaking and fabrication, health care, pharmaceutical production, electronics, computer components and other various support businesses have blossomed. This has meant a rapid growth in the number of jobs which are classified as high-skill occupations.

The new economy which we are experiencing in Alabama today is a knowledge-based economy. Increased levels of education and increasingly sophisticated levels of training have become the key to earning a living. It takes education beyond high school to gain the skills and competencies necessary to earn a middle-income wage in our new economy. Employers continue to demand more highly educated and skilled workers. For those with only a high school diploma, median earnings have declined since 1976.

Eighty percent of the new jobs available over the next decade will require a minimum of two years of postsecondary education. Eighty-five percent of all jobs will require skilled workers or professionals. Seventy-five percent of the people working today will still be in the labor force in the next decade, requiring continuous higher level training.

Seventy-five percent of Alabamians will not attain a four-year college degree. Two-year colleges are the immediate means for ensuring that the levels of knowledge and training, as well as the standards of excellence and performance characteristic of Alabama's workforce enable it to compete successfully in our new economy. Two-year colleges are Alabama's first, best source of workforce training.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, January 18, 1999, investigated the following incidents: eight hand-to-hand transactions, one criminal trespass, two assaults, one DUI, one property damage, one lost property, and one burglary.

The following arrests were made during the week: two for assault, five for robbery, seven for harassment, and one alias warrant for Enterprise.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

**MONDAY, JANUARY 18** - River stage - 4.89 feet (6:18 a.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Dothan (11:06 a.m.); Fight reported at Kendrick Apartments

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• **ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB** - Mondays

### EDITORIAL

## When The Village Fails . . .

by Jonathan McElvy,  
Research Assistant w/Alabama  
Family Alliance

If a picture can say a thousand words, maybe words can paint a thousand pictures.

Two boys - one seven, one eight - smother an 11-year-old girl to death because she won't let go of her bike. Two boys - both under the age of 16 - shoot bullets instead of spitballs through a small-town school. One girl, barely old enough to think about college, delivers her baby into a commode. Just three of a thousand pictures.

These pictures aren't painted with soft colors; they're etched with blood, hate and despair. They portray confusion, announcing hideous truths at the same time.

The famed poet John Milton once said time is the subtle thief of youth. If that's the case, I implore you, time, please hurry. Our youth can't handle the day's temptation.

Why? Professionals can't pinpoint problems, teachers can't teach behavior, and police can't control masses. There's the rub.

Remember a few years ago, when Hillary Rodham Clinton begged the village of America to raise its children? Parents, she said, do not possess those skills. According to Mrs. Clinton, Romulus and Remus, reared by a pack of wolves, made better fellows.

The First Lady took a conservative drubbing for her reckless remarks, yet her advice has become the norm. Young boys don't play ball with their fathers. Instead, they watch television athletes chuck bats and balls through the dugout. Young girls don't play dress-up with their moms. Instead, they watch television mums buy new clothes and jewelry for their affairs.

On the outside, Mrs. Clinton's it-takes-a-village theory might have appeased the working families. Why shouldn't we ask teachers, athletes and television stations to raise our children? While Americans may have subscribed to the First Lady's theory, today we are compelled to read the first print.

You see, though a village may sound quaint, with its cobblestone sidewalks and bay-windowed cafes, every village has its alleys. Controlling who and what is in the alleys sometimes slips past the village. Most watchful parents. Combine that with parents who utterly hand their children over to the village, and the outcome might frighten even the greatest of optimists.

## ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of January 19, 1999, through January 25, 1999. They were: Justin Davis, Shirley Hopkins, Hezzie Faulkner, Elaine Thomas, Susan Bell, Mabel Kelley, Jasmine Rhodes, Hudson Ennie, Terry Chandler, Christine Bradley, Ethel Nolin, R. C. Boutwell, Correlia Holmes, Abigail Hutto, Robert Griggs, Claude Guley, Martha Waters, Rebecca Huckabaa, Maxine Rachel, Jessie Senn, Dorothy Johnson, Anna Daniel, Charles Hurd, Ben Daniels, Rosa Webb, Amanda Calhoun, Jonathan Sims, Martha Senn, Petty Wambles, and Lillie Johnson.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Mary King, Charles Hurd, Jessie Senn, Melissa Hutto, Hudson Ennis, Robert Griggs, John Buchanan, Scarlett Napper, Rebecca Huckabaa, Ben Daniels, R. C. Carpenter, Emma Haskins, Dorothy Johnson, Claude Guley, Justin Davis, Freddie King, Curtis Rushing, Annie Birch, Ruth Rhodes, Hezzie Faulkner, Matthew Marler, Anessa Hannen, Mabel Kelley, Ethel Nolin, James Parks, Jerry Chandler, Willie McClain, Virginia McGowan, Melanie Whitman, Jessie Senn, and Martha Waters.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 19** - River stage - 4.84 feet (6:23 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Jackson Street (6:25 p.m.); Routine activity.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20** - River stage 4.66 (6:23 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (11:40 a.m.); Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 21** - River stage - 4.56 feet (6:25 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Forest Avenue (9:47 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (2:32 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Guyton Street (5:20 p.m.).

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 22** - Alarm at Big/Little Store No. 13 (2:41 a.m.); River stage - 4.49 feet (6:08 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on AL Hwy. 125 (2:24 p.m.); Rescue squad dispatched to a residence on Gray Street (7:46 p.m.); Alarm at Big/Little Store No. 13 (9:00 a.m.); Rescue squad dispatched to a residence on Guyton Street (9:46 p.m.).

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 23** - Alarm at CarQuest (11:21 a.m.); River stage - 5.27 feet (6:28 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Plant Avenue (7:45 a.m.); River stage - 8.15 feet (10:28 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (11:40 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Bruns Circle (2:51 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Medical Center Enterprise (8:35 p.m.); Fire department dispatched to a gas spill at Mr. Henry's (11:54 p.m.).

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 24** - River stage - 10.22 feet (6:03 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Martin Luther King Drive (9:35 a.m.); Rescue squad dispatched to a residence in Kennedy Estates (11:57 p.m.).

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Dear Editor,

I am canceling my subscription to *The Elba Clipper*, but wanted you to know how much your paper was enjoyed by one of our residents.

I work at Phenix City Health Care, a nursing home in Phenix City, Ala. Ms. Emma Nolin was a resident at our facility for 18 months. She lived in Elba most of her life and knew a lot of people in Elba. She enjoyed hearing about the people of Elba and all the local news.

We read the paper to her and reminisced about old friendships, and the way of life in years past. Ms. Nolin has gone on to be with the Lord, but her memory is with us always. Thank you for sending your paper to someone far from home.

Sincerely,  
Monika Ellis, RN  
Quality Assurance Coordinator

PS. Ms. Nolin enjoyed your paper so much that she named her pet parakeet, "Clipper." The parakeet was in her room at the nursing home for her last year there.

### Dear Editor,

The Alabama Fathers' Rights Association plans to march on the Capitol March 2. It will be a historical event involving all the chapters across Alabama, and will begin a new civil rights movement.

Since the 1960's and that historic movement challenging the blatant discrimination based on race, our very own courts have continued a discriminatory practice based on gender alone. It happens in court cases involving children of divorcing parents. The Alabama Fathers' Rights Association seeks to end gender bias in the courts, with the help of those who care.

It is contradictory that the very system designed to serve and protect its citizens, instead impoverishes fathers and strips dedicated dads from their own child's life. This is done every day without remorse and little recourse of any kind. Divorced dads are often vilified and labeled as "deadbeat dads."

With one "stroke of a pen," a father's income is reduced dramatically, if not for other family members' assistance, necessities of survival could not be obtained. Do we courts care? That's obvious.

More often than not, the father's rights lose contact with their own children. Even if that father is asked to have another chance at living a family, money for clothes, ad, mortgage or rent become hard to obtain. Maintaining the lifestyle the "first" family takes all precedence. A judge won't hesitate to arm that daddy he will need a and or third job. Once those jobs in place, the custodial parent can afford those salaries as well. Finally, that's not the worst of it... it reduces him to no more than a visitor to his own children... If mother lets him visit. Of course, adverse impact doesn't end there.

33% of youth suicides are from fatherless homes  
71% of pregnant teenagers are in fatherless homes  
80% of all homeless and runny children are from fatherless homes  
90% of juveniles in state-operated institutions are from fatherless homes  
85% of all children with behavioral disorders are from fatherless homes  
71% of all high school dropouts are from fatherless homes  
50% of all adolescent patients in mental abuse centers are from fatherless homes  
55% of all youths sitting in are from fatherless homes  
There is a pattern here that is recognized.

FRA wants to balance the scale - NO LONGER HIDE a child's future have on as his sanctuary... the vast majority of teen suicides sustain or el to even new heights... fame-be impoverished by a vindictive-wife using a bias court system to be able to drive her ex-husband to bankruptcy... that child to do without his or her father use the mother fears the child want his or her daddy more, children are at stake and that's tal clear.

We are interested in justice and ing and helping the children (vice, then we invite you to be of the march.

For more information about the march or Alabama Fathers' Rights Association, call me DONALD MONS 334/566-0849 / 566-4 (Troy), 256/533-7234 (Troy), or visit our web site at //members.tripod.com/~Al.Fra.

member - equality is the name re game - and discrimination is abolishing.

### Dear Editor,

In December I wrote asking for prayer for upcoming heart surgery. I would like to thank all who prayed for me, and to say God still answers prayer.

My surgery Jan. 5 in Birmingham was successful, and I am home again in Elba.

I cannot praise the Lord enough for His love, care and mercy, and also for friends, neighbors and my church family at Mt. Olive Assembly of God in Brundage, as well as my beautiful family.

All the prayers, calls and letters were appreciated, and I thank God for letting me live again. May I continue to praise and worship Him. God is good.

Thank you,  
Helen Christine  
McHarris Bolling

### Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter for two reasons. First, I committed to my good friend, Jeff Sessions, that I would do it, and second, if you let a lie stand without rebuttal, it could be perceived as the truth.

I have waited what I consider a sufficient time since the election so that I will not be influenced by anger. Hopefully this message will not be considered and dismissed as simply "sour grapes."

When Jeff called on Wednesday after the election to express his sorrow over the outcome, I told him there was only one thing I regretted. My opponent, in the closing days, mailed a letter to the rural residents of Coffee County that had absolutely no basis in fact. I had come to expect the hard knocks of modern politics as a price I was willing to pay in order to hopefully, make a difference in the future of this state.

While taking votes out of context and stretching the truth have become the norm of certain special interest groups regarding political campaigns, I knew exactly where the deluge of slander mail was coming from in Montgomery. If you don't like the dirty politics exhibited in the House District 91 race, you can thank a teacher. Their contributions to the AEA paid for most of it. Paul Hubbard is scared to death of a Republican legislature. He'll tell you in a heartbeat he doesn't represent the kids of this state, he represents the teachers. Sad but true.

Now, about the big LIE. After the last deadline had passed to respond in the media, our current Representative direct-mailed the rural residents of this county, indicating it was my agenda to close the small volume houses. He said if I were elected this would probably be the last time they could vote in their communities. He did this over his signature.

Nothing could be further from the truth. When this issue was brought up to me I advised those involved that it was a lead balloon. I advised them not to pursue the matter as they would just get bloodied up over something they did not have the votes to achieve.

I have never publicly nor privately supported the notion of closing voting houses in Coffee County. I would challenge Rep. Spicer to provide one person that will indicate otherwise.

The lack of regard for the truth exhibited by our President is self-evident these days. I hope it has not become so acceptable to achieve political goals, no matter the tactics, that the people of Coffee County will regard this as politics as usual. If that is the case, we are in serious trouble as a nation.

/s/ GARRETH MOORE

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank Rotary International for their recent gift to the Elba Senior Citizens Center. On Jan. 11, 1999, Rotary International presented the Elba Senior Citizens Center with a 15-passenger bus. This gracious gift will be used to improve the lives of many.

While others may take for granted simple pleasures such as shopping, field trips to cultural events, and transportation to and from the Senior Citizens Center, we consider them blessings.

Our lives have been enhanced through the generosity of Rotary International.

Sincerely,  
LOUISE HORNSBY, Director  
Elba Senior Citizens Center

Dear Editor,

Gov. Don Siegelman is asking legislators to endorse his lottery proposal. It will require a change in the Alabama Constitution. The Constitution makes it clear that a legislator's vote for an amendment is a vote of endorsement for the amendment. It says, "If... three-fifths of all the members elected to that house shall vote in favor of the proposed amendments, the legisla-

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He was preceded in death by sisters Mercer Brunson and Pearl Grimes.

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# SCHOOLS

## ZC Gets Student History Teacher

by Kendra Ward  
Joseph Arnold, a Social Science Education major at Troy State University, is the student teacher for Mr. Mark Coale's History classes.

Mr. Arnold hopes to graduate from Troy State and get a job teaching at one of the surrounding schools. He chose Zion Chapel for his internship because of the emphasis placed on academic achievement and because of the friendly people.

Mr. Arnold will begin teaching some classes January 25 and will begin teaching full-time duties February 8. His internship ends March 18. Mr. Arnold will be teaching ninth grade Alabama History, tenth grade World History, and twelfth grade U.S. Government.

## Beta Club Meets

by Alisha Walker

The purpose of the most recent Beta Club meeting was to discuss whether or not to attend the state meeting in Birmingham. It was decided that ZC would attend. The trip has to be limited to juniors and seniors due to the large number of students interested in going.

The club then decided who would compete in the competitions. Everyone has been given an opportunity to compete in something.

Canteen workers also had to be chosen for the next couple of months. The workers will help teachers in the canteen during break.

## FHA Meets

by Kendra Ward

The January meeting of the Zion Chapel FHA chapter was called to order by President Angie Laney at 10:09 a.m. in the high school auditorium on Friday, Jan. 15.

Fifty-six members were present, six were absent, and there were no visitors.

The chapter discussed FHA week which will be held February 8-11. Other items of business were a coloring contest for the elementary school and fundraiser ideas for Valentine's Day.

The state convention was also discussed. The convention will be held April 9 in Montgomery and the registration fee is \$12. Street attire can be worn but no jeans.

Alan Sanders and Chan Grantham participated in an activity in which they were given makeup. They had to figure out where to apply the make-up and then had to make each other UP.

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## Hathcock Volunteers Time

by Charlie Maddox

Jessica Hathcock has been working at the Elba Nursing Home for some time now. She does volunteer work twice during the week from 3:30 to 4:30 and on Saturdays. Jessica said she was interested in helping the elderly and had a large amount of spare time. She called the nursing home and they gave her the job. By volunteering, Jessica is getting valuable job experience.

Jessica's responsibilities include helping with the daily activities and doing some office work. She also spends time visiting the residents of the nursing home.

When asked how she felt working at the Elba Nursing Home, Jessica said, "The people there are very nice and I enjoy taking care of the elderly." She also said that if anyone was interested in doing vol-



JESSICA HATHCOCK  
university work, she would recommend them doing it.

## Rebel Basketball

by Chan Grantham, Bo Adkison, & Josh Faircloth

Varsity Boys ZC VS Elba

The Zion Chapel Varsity Boys team played the Elba Tigers. The Rebels led the game 46-25. The score at the half had the Rebels leading 19-13. The leading scorer for the Rebels was Bo Adkison with 7 points. Junior Jones added 6, while Josh Grantham and Justin Law each added 4. Josh Faircloth and Jason Spears had 2 points each. The Rebels were 5-13 from the free throw line and committed 16 team fouls.

The Zion Chapel Varsity Boys team hosted the Houston Academy Raiders. The Raiders won 64-46. The score at the half had the Raiders leading 24-17. The leading scorer for the Rebels was Josh Grantham with 19 points. Josh Faircloth finished with 7 points. Chan Grantham added 6 points. Bo Adkison had 5, while Justin Law and John Arnold had 4 each. Junior Jones had 1 point. The Rebels committed 20 team fouls and were 10-14 from the free throw line.

Jr. Varsity Boys - Z.C. vs. Houston Academy  
The Zion Chapel Jr. Varsity boys lost to the Houston Academy Raiders 45-35. Marcus Taylor led the Rebels with 14 points. Levon Wheeler had 9 points. Josh McWaters and Johnny Brannan both had 4 points. Justin Prescott had 4 points. The Rebels were 6-15 from the free throw line and committed 18 fouls. Z.C. vs. Houston Academy-Varsity Girls

The Z.C. Lady Rebels lost to the Houston Academy Lady Raiders by a score of 59-22. Rebecca Kidd led the Rebels with 7 points. Kendra Ward had 6 points. Kayla Eldins added 4 points. Tara Grant scored 3 points, and Jessica Flowers had 2 points. The Lady Rebels were 3-6 from the free throw line and committed 12 fouls.

## SUPPORT REBEL BASKETBALL

### Coffee County Schools Menu Feb. 1 - 5, 1999

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
Monday - Pancake PUPS, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Monday - Vegetable Soup, Grilled Chicken Sandwich, Creamed Potatoes, Lettuce & Tomato, Apple Sticks, Crackers, Peanut Butter-Jelly Sandwich, Milk
Tuesday - Ham & Biscuit, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Tuesday - Pizza, Burger, Fish, Sandwich, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Fruit, Rice Krispie Treat, Milk
Wednesday - Pop Tart, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Wednesday - Beef & Cheese Nachos, Ham Sandwich, Blackeyed Peas, Fried Okra, Lettuce & Tomato Slice, Fruit, Milk
Thursday - Donuts, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Thursday - Hamburger Steak w/Gravy, Chicken Nuggets, Whole Kernel Corn, Steamed Broccoli, Rice, Roll, Milk
Friday - Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Friday - Chili, Hot Dog, Baked Potato Half, Butter or Sour Cream, Green Beans, Crackers, Fruit, Milk

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## ZC Student Attends Inauguration Celebration

by Angie Laney

On January 18, I attended the 1999 Alabama Gubernatorial Inauguration Ceremonies. The theme of the inauguration was "Celebrating Children: The Hope of Alabama."

The ceremonies began at the Prayer Breakfast at Dexter Avenue King Memorial Baptist Church. I did not attend this breakfast, but it was open to the public. It began at 7:30 a.m. and lasted until 9:00 a.m. After the breakfast, the Gubernatorial Inauguration Parade was held. Before the parade started American flags and Alabama flags were given out to everyone in the stands so they could participate in the parade festivities. Along with the flags, buttons, pins and other materials that had to do with Governor Siegelman's campaign, were handed out during the parade. There were 82 group participants in the parade. The parade lasted over two hours.

At 12:00 p.m. the Inauguration Ceremony was held at the State Capitol. I attended the ceremony with Representative Terry Spicer. He is the representative from District 91, which is Coffee County. Before the Governor's Oath of Office was taken, Jimmy Buffet sang "Stars Fell On Alabama." After he sang, the Honorable Zell Miller, the former Governor of the State of Georgia, administered the Oath of Office for Governor Siegelman. After Governor Siegelman took his oath the rest of the newly elected officials took their oaths in this order: Lieutenant Governor Steve Windom, Attorney General Bill Pryor, State Auditor Susan Parker, Secretary of State Jim Bennett, State Treasurer Lucy

Baxley, Commissioner of Agriculture Charles Bishop, and the members of the Public Service Commission Jan Cook, and George C. Wallace, Jr.

After the Oaths of Office were taken there were special receptions for legislators and their guests. There were also tents set up in different locations for the children to go to and play. Mrs. Siegelman helped in the tents at different times during the day. Tours of the Capitol were given to the public all during the day. Along with a tour, of the Capitol Rep. Terry Spicer took me on a tour of the State House. In this tour I saw the Representatives' offices and also the chamber. I got to sit in Rep. Spicer's chair in the chamber. He told me all about the voting process and about the different responsibilities that an Alabama Representative has.

Since I attended the Inauguration with Rep. Spicer, I got to go to all of the special receptions that were not open to the general public. The first reception that I attended was at the Baily Building. This reception was hosted by The Boeing Company, Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association, Michelin North America, Rheem Manufacturing Company, and Public Affairs Strategies, Inc. This reception was to honor the new State Government officials. Here I got to meet the new lobbyists that were hired for the upcoming term.

The second reception that I attended was at the Vintage Year Restaurant. This reception was hosted by Fine, Geddie and Associates. It was to celebrate the Inaugural festivities and honor the House and Senate Committee Chairmen. At this luncheon I got to meet many of the newly elected officials and lobbyists.

The third reception that I attended was a reception to honor the new Speaker of the House of Representatives, Seth Hammett. This reception was held at the State Capitol on the second floor, south wing. It was hosted by the Covington County Economic Development Commission. Here I got to meet the Speaker of the House, Mr. Seth Hammett. As everyone came in, Mr. Hammett greeted them. There were also special stickers for people who were from Covington County that said, "I am proud to be from Covington County." These were given out at the door.

The fourth and last reception that I attended was at the RSA Plaza Terrace. This reception was hosted by the Alabama Department of Education and the Department of Postsecondary Education. This was to honor the Alabama State Board of Education. At this I got to see the new State Board of Education get introduced to the Legislators.

After all the activities of the day, eight hours were over, there was a fireworks display over the Alabama River. This was followed by the Inaugural Ball. Since I was with Mr. Spicer, I got to attend the formal Inaugural Dinner and Ball at the Montgomery Civic Center. The Civic Center was decorated with the seal of Alabama and patriotic

## Accelerated Reading Program



by Christy Houston  
Suzie Price (center) holds the number one position in points earned by participating in the Accelerated Reading Program. Suzie has accumulated 2769 points which is quite a lot when a person considers that some books earn as little as 2 points. Participants who have earned over a hundred points are Levi Brown (left) with 144.2 points and Russell Faircloth (right) with 107.4 points. In order to earn points students must select a book, read it, and then take a test. After the test is completed points are awarded according to the length and difficulty of the book and according to the level of student comprehension as indicated by a test on the book.

## Rebel News Briefs

### ZION CHAPEL CAMPUS BEAUTY

by Michelle McIntosh

The annual Zion Chapel Campus Beauty Pageant will be held on Saturday, January 30. The pageant will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Zion Chapel High School auditorium. Admission into the pageant will be \$4. The money made from this event will go toward financing the 1999 yearbook.

### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

by Angie Laney

Angie Laney attended the Fall Executive Council Meeting held in Montgomery at the Gordon Persons Building on January 18-19. The plans for the State Meeting that will be held April 9, 1999, at the Montgomery Civic Center, were discussed. Topics included ideas for a skit, T-shirt designs, and new lengths for official skirts.

This year's State Meeting will only be one day. It is held April 9, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. The plans for the meeting will be sent out to all the local chapters in Alabama in the next news letter, from the State Headquarters.

### JR. BETA PLANS CHATTANOOGA TRIP

by Carissa Walker

The Jr. Beta Club will be taking a trip to Chattanooga, Tennessee, on May 20 and 21. This trip is a scholastic and academic reward for students who maintain a high academic average.

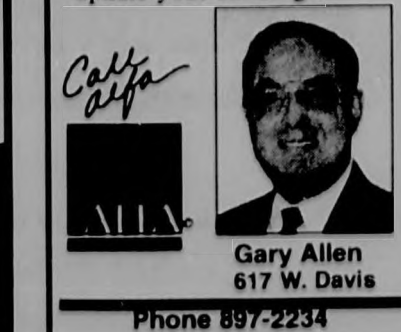
Members making the trip will be traveling by the Alabama Limousine Bus Line. They will visit the Tennessee Aquarium, the 3-0 Theater, and Ruby Falls. They will also ride the Incline and go on the River Boat Dinner Cruise.

The cost of the trip is \$139 for each member. The Jr. Beta Club will pay half of each member's cost and the parents will pay the other half.

There will be fundraisers to help with expenses. The Jr. Beta members are selling candy. They are also selling mail-a-grams to be delivered on Valentine's Day. Also, members of the club will spend a day at Food World bagging groceries for tips.

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# SCHOOLS

## Co-Op Spotlight



by Deana Gifford

This week's Co-op Spotlight focuses on Glenn Davis. Glenn is an employee at English Photography where he serves as a photographer assistant. He is the son of Doug and Cara Davis.

Glenn is a senior at Elba High School. He is actively involved with Tri-M Music Honor Society, Boy Scout Troop #37, VICA, and the EHS Band program.

After high school Glenn plans to attend Troy State University and later become a pilot in the Air Force.

We are proud to shine this week's spotlight on Glenn Davis.

## Tiger Tales



Anna Maddox

Editor

Daniel Murdock

Editor

## Review For SAT Begins

by Lee English

As the Stanford Achievement Test or SAT draws near, Elba High School has begun to prepare its students for the upcoming date. On Tuesday, January 12, the review started by a question being placed on the daily announcement sheet every Tuesday and Thursday. Students have until the following day's EHS News Cast to study the question and that's when the solution will be explained.

Coch David Lowery will be randomly asking students for the correct answer. The winner will receive a free drink. All EHS teachers have the question available upon request for anyone who would like to attempt it. In addition to these

questions, other teachers will review by giving practice test in the days and weeks just before the actual test.

## Elba Elementary School Menu

FEB. 1 - 5, 1999

### BREAKFAST

Monday - Cinnamon Toast, 1/2 Apple, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Tuesday - Pancakes w/Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Wednesday - Biscuit, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Thursday - Cheese Sandwich, Applesauce, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Friday - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

### LUNCH

Monday - Pizza, Broccoli w/Cheese, Corn, Peach Half, Milk  
Tuesday - Ham Sandwich, French Fries, Butterbeans, Cake, Milk  
Wednesday - Steak Fingers, Rice, English Peas, Roll, 1/2 Orange, Milk  
Thursday - Taco Salad, Lettuce, Cheese, Corn on Cob 1/2 Apple, Milk  
Friday - Lasagna, Buttered Carrots, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Mixed Fruit, Milk

## Seventh Grade Basketball Review

by Brad Holley

Did you even wonder what it feels like to win a championship game? Well, after a long hard season the seventh grade boys finally got a taste of how superstar Michael Jordan feels after winning the NBA World Championship. This group of young boys won the Elba Junior High Invitational. Head coach Wynn Grimes said that overall he was proud of their season. He said he was proud of the way they learned to work together as a team

especially in the championship game. At the beginning of the season Coach Grimes and his team set out to meet such goals as having a winning record (11-3), learning to show good sportsmanship, and of course to win the tournament. They met all of these with flying colors. "I would like to take this opportunity to thank the boys for working real hard and believing in what we were doing. I also want to congratulate them on a great year," stated Coach Grimes.

## ESJC NEWS

### LEARN HOW TO USE INTERNET

"How to Use the Internet" is a special course being offered at Enterprise State Junior College this spring semester. The course will provide tips on how to surf the World Wide Web, and is designed for students who have had NO experience using the Internet. The class will be held Saturday, Feb. 27, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., and there is a \$25 fee. Registration deadline is Feb. 19. For more information call 334/993-ESJC, Ext. 234.

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## Accelerated Reader Store



The PTO sponsored Accelerated Reader Store was open this month for students who had saved up their points earned from reading books off the Accelerated Reader's Book List. This small "toy store" not only encourages students to read by rewarding them with small prizes, but teaches them to budget their earnings.

Although there were prizes such as candy and jewelry to award those with less than 10 points, those who chose to accumulate their points got to choose prizes such as stuffed animals and bean bag baby kits from the 250+ table.

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## SPORTS

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## THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mulatz

Melanie's braces have forced her to give up some of her favorite foods, along with most of her favorite candies and chewing gums, but has taught her how good some other foods really are. Her newest favorite food is a baked potato with lots of butter, while running a close second is a tuna fish sandwich. I'm sure she will miss chewing gum and snacking on cheese Doritos for the next two years; however, maybe the braces will straighten out her eating habits as well as her teeth.

## ELBA FACING FOURTH NEW HEAD COACH IN SIX YEARS

When Coach David Sikes announced his resignation last week as the head football coach at Elba High School, it marked the third time in the past five years that the Tigers head coach has resigned. That means that next season the Elba Tigers will take the field with their fourth head coach in only six years, and that also means that what was once one of the state's top high school football programs is now in desperate need of stability, and a coach that will bite the bullet for the next couple of years and attempt to build the program back from the ground up. There is not a coach alive today that can step in and win a bunch of football games at Elba High School. The players are not taking part like they once were, and the numbers are way down due to new stricter rules concerning grades and drug testing. Don't get me wrong, students should have to make the grades to participate in any extra-curricular activity, and I wish they would drug test every single student in every single school. While the no-pass-no-play rule and the drug testing policy at Elba High School have led directly to a loss of football players, the biggest reason the players are not coming out is not grades or drugs, it is a lack of stability in the program and the obvious lack of total support for the football program.

In other schools the size of Elba, every single coach in the school is on the sidelines on Friday night when the high school team takes the field. Just how much the coaches vary from school to school, but at least the coaches are there to show their support of the program. At Elba High School last season, the head football coach had three assistants on the field with him. The head basketball coach didn't help with football, nor did the head baseball coach or any of the junior high coaches. I'm sure they had their reasons; however, to me and many other fans their absence showed a lack of support for the football program. Five of the top six players on the basketball team didn't play football, and a number of baseball players also decided not to play football. I know the head coaches of those sports didn't talk anyone out of playing, but if they had been involved, maybe at least they would have tried a little harder to talk some of the students into playing.

The problems facing the football program at Elba High School will not be solved easily and will also not be solved over just a year or two. There are many problems both on and off the field that must be addressed, and until everyone is back working on the same page the problems will persist. For the sake of the kids, I hope something is done that will be positive and will get the program aimed back in the right direction.

## RIGHT COACH IS CRUCIAL FOR FUTURE OF ELBA FOOTBALL

Over the next few weeks the school officials at Elba High School will interview a number of coaches for the vacant head coaching position at Elba High School. When a decision is made, it is crucial that the right coach is hired to lead the football program back to where it used to be, the top of the Class 3A ranks. Coach David Sikes gave all he had to try and make the Tigers winners on and off the field, and the excitement of the fans and community was never more evident than after the first round of the playoffs last season when Elba upset Washington County. The fans are still looking for something to get excited about, and if the right coach is hired, that excitement may carry over to the kids, and the results will be more players out for the sport.

I have talked with a couple of prospective coaches over the past week, and was very upset when they told me they had been told through the coaching grapevine that the job at Elba was already a done deal and had been promised to an area coach with ties to an Elba administrator. I have seen the coach mentioned at a number of Elba basketball games, and have been told that he had already met with some of the players and faculty members. It was no surprise that he would be interested in the opening at Elba High; however, it does seem a little strange that he would start going to Elba basketball games while he is still employed as a coach at another school.

I know that the school officials can hire anyone they wish to hire, and don't have to please anyone at Elba. A lot of Elba folks have been very surprised at the name of the coach mentioned for the job, and are more than a little upset that a coach might be promised the job even before the ex-coach turned in his resignation. I am not accusing any school officials of doing anything under the table, but I do hope they will advertise the opening far and wide and try to hire the very best coach they can afford. This may be the most important coaching vacancy ever at Elba High School, and the future of the program will rest on the choice made. Please, do your best to do what is best for the students at Elba High School and the football program!

## ELBA TIGERS FALL LATE TO THIRD-RANKED GOSHEN

The Elba Tigers followed up their best half of the basketball season with two not-so-impressive quarters of play last week, and the result was a 50-49 loss to the third-ranked Goshen Eagles. The Tigers controlled the tempo of the game and worked their half-court offense to perfection in the opening half as they moved out to an 11-point halftime advantage. However, just when it appeared the Tigers would pull off a big home win, they began to turn the ball over against the Goshen press and allowed the highly-talented Eagles to creep back in the game. Elba's patient brand of offense that had worked so well early in the game failed to generate many points late in the game, and Goshen took advantage of the Tigers' lack of point production to catch up and escape with the win.

The Tigers' 13-6 record may not be as good as many fans had hoped for at this point in the season, but what many fans might not want to admit is that the Tigers aren't blessed with as much talent as most of the teams they play, and that they win by playing hard on defense and by taking high percentage shots. Elba could easily lose the remainder of their games and close out the regular season at 13-11, or they could win all the games and finish at 18-6. While they will probably win a few and lose a few, one thing is for certain - the Tigers will play harder than any team they play and will never be out-coached. The rest will take care of itself!

## ONCE OVER, ALWAYS NOT SO LIGHTLY...

\*\*\* Rush Propst was hired two years ago to coach at Alma Bryant High School and to build a program at the newly consolidated high school in Mobile County. Propst obviously did an outstanding job as he guided the first ever football team at the school to a 12-1 record. His dedication to the program was thought to be clear; however, he stunned the school last week when he resigned to accept the head coaching job at Hoover. I realize that

the coaching profession is a unique one and that loyalties are often just skin deep, but to me Coach Propst really turned his back on the school that gave him a job when he chose to leave. I guess it is true that being loyal doesn't put food on the table, or money in the bank.

\*\*\* Andalusia High School is expected to name a new head football coach this week, and the word out of Andalusia is that the new coach has already moved to town and enrolled his children in school. School officials interviewed over a dozen applicants for the vacancy, and it will be interesting to see if the process was really needed, or if the coach rumored to have the job in hand is hired.

\*\*\* When Troy State hosts the Southeast Regional High School Basketball Championships on Feb. 16-20, many of the area basketball fans making the trip up to Sartain Hall will be in for a real surprise. The arena has been remodeled from top to bottom, and is now one of the state's most modern small college gyms. In years past many of the fans would be forced to sit high in the old wooden bleachers, but this year those fans will have a better view and a more comfortable seat. See 'ya there.

## After two years with Tigers

## Sikes announces resignation at Elba

Elba High School head football coach David Sikes announced last week that he had resigned his position after two years at the helm of the Tigers.

Coach Sikes accepted the Elba post in 1997 while serving as the offensive coordinator at Greenville High School, and in two seasons guided the Tigers to an overall record of 5-16.

"It just got to the point where I felt I needed to make a change in my life," said Sikes. "I have been in coaching for the past fifteen years, and having a dad that was a football coach, that meant spending just about every Friday night my entire life at a football game. I love coaching and love working with the students, but I just felt it was time to make a change."

"I have a new bass boat that spends more time on wheels than in the water, and a new house that needs a lot of work done to the yard," added Sikes. "I finished my Masters in Administration this year, and with my Masters in Guidance and Counseling, decided maybe I should let someone else coach for a while. I want to remain in education and really want to continue working with the kids, but from a different

## Enterprise's Coach Bill Bacon to be inducted into '99 prep Hall of Fame

Alabama's winningest active high school basketball coach, a pioneer for girl's athletic programs and the founder of Montgomery Academy's basketball and baseball programs are among the selections for the state's High School Sports Hall of Fame.

The 11 members of the 1999 class will be inducted on March 22 at a banquet in Montgomery, and were chosen from among 53 nominations received and reviewed by the 17-member Hall of Fame committee.

The selections include: \*\*\*Sherry Ammons, who served as a coach and teacher in the Huntsville City Schools for 31 years and is known as the pioneer for girls' athletic programs;

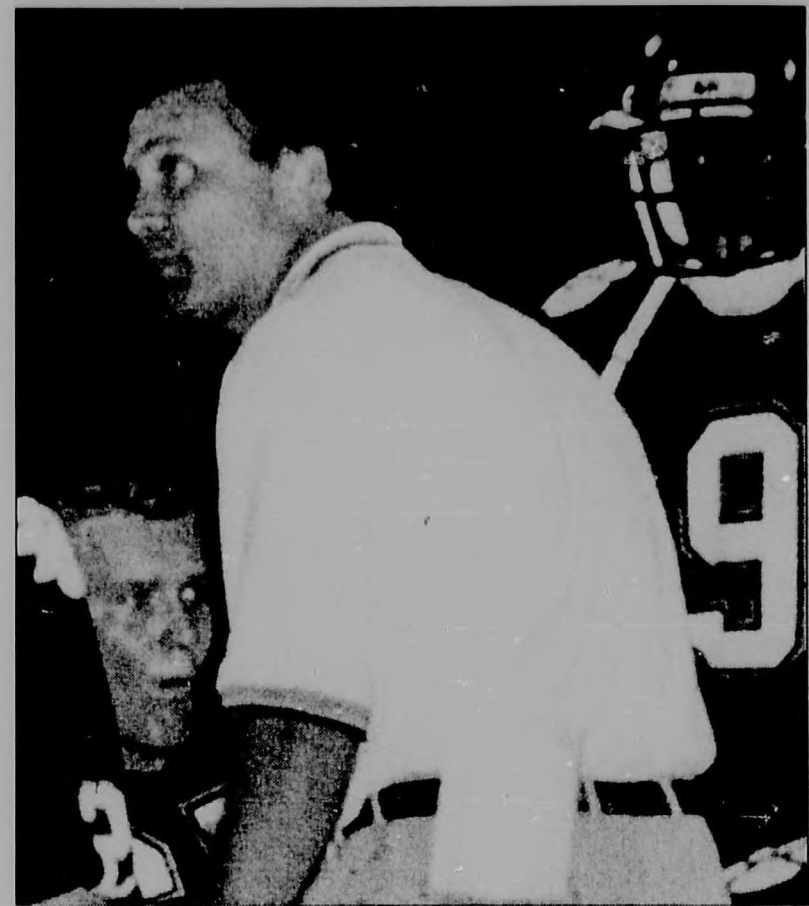
\*\*\*Bill Bacon, coach at Enterprise High School, who also served as football coach at B.C. Rain, and has a career record of 232-87-5;

\*\*\*Bill Farrell, who served as football coach at Olathe and Piedmont before moving to Anniston, where he compiled a 62-28-2 record;

\*\*\*Joe Hubbert, a 28-year football coach who spent 20 years at Winfield and also coached at Marion County, Etowah and



BIG DEER Lamar Wilson bagged this impressive 8-point buck while hunting in the afternoon of Saturday, January 16, 1999 in a "secret" location near Elba.



David Sikes (pictured above during regular season action) announced his resignation last week as the head football coach at Elba High School after two years at the Tiger helm.

## Area teams are included in latest prep basketball poll

The Alabama Sports Writers Association released its "High School" basketball rankings last week, with a number of area teams included among the top 10 in their respective classes.

The Brantley Bulldogs slipped from the #1 spot to come in at third in the 1A poll, while Pleasant Home and Florala also made the top 10. Louisville and Geneva County were both ranked in the 2A poll, while Goshen was in the top 10 in 3A, and Pike County made the poll in the 4A class.

Area teams ranked in the "Top 10" in the girls rankings included Dothan (6A), Etowah (5A), Geneva (4A) and G.W. Long (1A).

Following are the "Top 5" in the state rankings for last week in both boys and girls basketball.

- BOYS**
- CLASS 6A**  
1 - Grissom  
2 - LeFlore  
3 - Austin  
4 - Central, of Phenix City
- CLASS 5A**  
1 - John Carroll  
2 - Gardendale  
3 - Wilcox Central  
4 - Phillips  
5 - Southside, Selma
- CLASS 4A**  
1 - Sumter County  
2 - Central, Coosa  
3 - Alexandria  
4 - Childersburg  
5 - Central, Hayneville
- CLASS 3A**  
1 - Trinity  
2 - Francis Marion  
3 - Goshen  
4 - Ardmore  
5 - Vinemont
- CLASS 2A**  
1 - Calera
- CLASS 1A**  
1 - West Limestone  
2 - Lauderdale County  
3 - North Sand Mountain  
4 - Keith  
5 - UMS Wright
- CLASS 2A**  
1 - Cold Springs  
2 - Fyffe  
3 - Mars Hill Bible  
4 - Tanner  
5 - Valley Head
- CLASS 1A**  
1 - St. Bernard  
2 - Loachapoka  
3 - Notulsa  
4 - Autaugaville  
5 - Carrollton  
6 - G.W. Long

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## SPORTS

## See 11-point halftime lead vanish

## Tigers fall late to Goshen 50-49

The Elba Tigers saw a big first half lead vanish over the final two quarters last Tuesday night as the third-ranked Goshen Eagles staged a furious second half rally to down the Tigers 50-49, in Elba.

The loss left the Tigers with a 13-6 record, while the Eagles improved to 14-1 with the win.

Elba came out ready to play against the Eagles and took control almost from the opening tip as they used a strong inside game from Tim

The Tigers began to have problems with the Goshen press in the third quarter as the Eagles cut the Elba lead to 39-33, and the Tigers never got back into their offensive pattern in the final stanza as the Eagles continued their rally and escaped with the 50-49 win.

Wayne Reed scored 18 points to lead Elba, while Tim Ware added 14 and Mark Wicker scored 10. Derrick Wright led Goshen with 15 points.

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E 14 17 8 10 - 49

Goshen (50): Pelton 6, Thornton 4, Nichols 4, Wright 15, Oliver 4, Rogers 13, Tucker 2, Simmons 2. Elba (49): Jordan 7, Reed 18, Wicker 10, Ware 14.

## Carr scores 19 for second straight week as Wildcats roar in "Boys 10 and Under" basketball action

The Elba Youth Basketball League, sponsored by the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation, continued its season last week with action in all five divisions.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

## GIRLS 8 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Rockers vs. Sparks - The Rockers and Sparks played a very exciting game last week with all the players showing the desire to win. Scoring for the Rockers was Tiffany Johnson. Scoring for the Sparks were Kayla Kyser and Ashley Carpenter.

## BOYS 8 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Tide vs. Jaguars - The Tide and Jaguars had a very competitive game with both teams finding the goal on several occasions. Scoring for the Tide were Gavin Repress, Cordell Hooks and Caleb Davis. Scoring for the Jaguars were Michael Spurlin and Jahmal Brown.

\*\*\* Tigers vs. Bulldogs - The Tigers and Bulldogs overcame a scoreless first quarter to post an exciting game. Scoring for the Tigers were Graham Morrow, Robert Paul, Jamison Baker and Will Gray. Scoring for the Bulldogs were Nick Weeks and Tracey Edwards.

\*\*\* Trojans vs. Hornets - The Trojans and Hornets put on quite an exhibition as both teams battled the nets for several baskets. Scoring for the Trojans were Matthew Gibson, John Jared, Jason Mitchell and Trey Belcher. Scoring for the Hornets were Justin Pike, Fluah-Quann Hill and Tyrease Daniels.

## GIRLS 12 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Mystics 14 Shock 12 - The Mystics staged a furious fourth quarter rally to post a 14-12 win over the Shock. The Mystics trailed 10-6 heading into the final stanza, but scored 8 points to pull away and claim the win. Scoring for the Mystics were Stephanie Baxley 6, Elena McCormick 4, Teneish Thigpen 2 and Kristen Baxley 2. Scoring for the Shock were Lyndsay Lawford 4, Leslie Flowers 4 and Roshonda Flowers 4.

\*\*\* Sting 27 Starz 19 - The Sting exploded late to claim a wild 27-19 win over the Starz. The Starz rallied from a 12-9 halftime deficit to grab a 17-12 third quarter lead, but saw the Sting score 15 points in the final stanza to rally and claim the win. Scoring for the Sting were Ayonna Proctor 12, Christy Eubanks 5, Whitney Lawford 4, Carmelisha Wright 4 and Emily Paul 2. Scoring for the Starz were Amanda Pope 8, Nicole Purvis 4, Becky Stinson 2, Allison Brunson 2, Lacy Carlile 2 and Ashley Gibson 1.

## BOYS 14 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Hoosiers 41 Tarheels 16 - The Hoosiers broke loose in the second half to rip the Tarheels 41-16. The Hoosiers owned a slim 13-6 lead at the half, but exploded to score 28 points over the final two quarters to claim the big win. Scoring for the Hoosiers were Jessie Thigpen 10, Todd Horstead 9, Colby Skinner 8, Clark Skinner 8 and Aaron Harrelson 4. Scoring for the Tarheels were Colby Capps 10, Brandon Petty 2, Andrew Stoudemire 2 and Brent Bowers 2.

\*\*\* Hoosiers 43 Huskies 31 - The Hoosiers made it two straight wins with a 43-31 win over the Huskies. The Hoosiers owned a slim 26-25 lead heading into the final stanza, but outscored the Huskies 17-6 in the final quarter to pull away and post the big win. Scoring for the Hoosiers were Brandon Safford 16, Jessie Thigpen 12, Colby Skinner 11 and Todd Horstead 4. Scoring for the Huskies were Quinton Gavin 10, Stefaun Burks 8, Brandon Wilson 6, Timothy Daniels 4, Alex Allen 2 and Dominique Miller 1.

## BOYS 10 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Wildcats 33 Bruins 4 - The Wildcats led all the way to down the Bruins 33-4. The Wildcats jumped out to a 15-0 lead in the opening stanza and never looked back to post the big win. Scoring for the Wildcats were Duke Carr 19, Ron Hill 6, Lamar Ware 4, Reymar Rogers 2 and Lewis Johnson 2. Scoring for the Bruins was Zack Spann 4.

\*\*\* Hoyas 24 Blazers 9 - The Hoyas led all the way to blast the Blazers 24-9. The Hoyas owned a 6-0 lead in the opening stanza and rolled to the win. Scoring for the Hoyas were Mason Guiley 14 and LaRay Williams 10. Scoring for the Blazers were Champ Boutwell 4, Nicholas Nelson 3 and Jason Johnson 2.

## YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE SCHEDULE

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 28

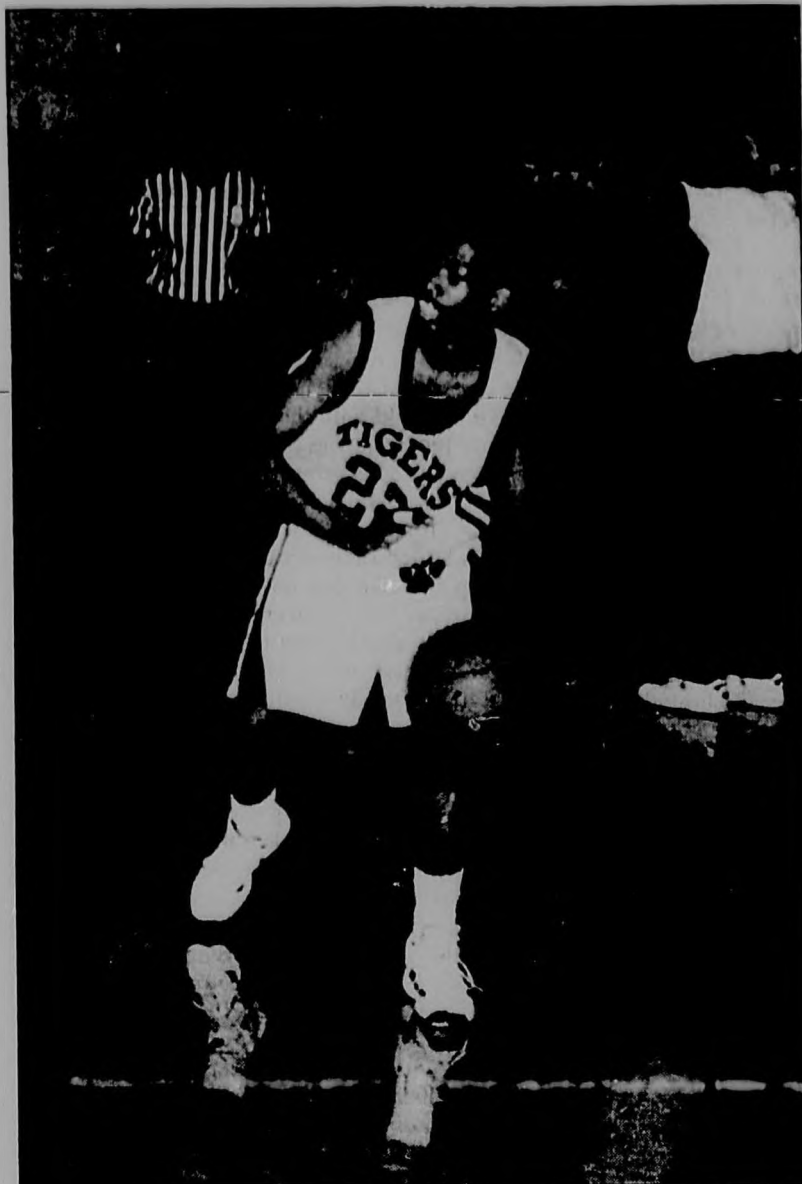
5:30 - Tide vs. Hornets  
6:30 - Jaguars vs. Bulldogs

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

9:00 - Rockers vs. Sparks  
10:00 - Tigers vs. Trojans  
11:00 - Tarheels vs. Huskies  
12:00 - Shock vs. Starz  
1:00 - Tarheels vs. Hoosiers  
2:00 - Sting vs. Mystic

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1

5:30 - Tigers vs. Jaguars  
6:30 - Rockers vs. Sparks



Elba's Wayne Reed looks inside during a recent Tiger win. Reed scored 18 points last week in a 50-49 loss to Goshen. The Tigers will host Clayton Friday night in a key area match-up.

## HIGH SCHOOL

## ROUNDBALL ROUNDUP

## New Brockton trips Red Level in OT 68-64

The New Brockton Gamecocks remained undefeated in area play last week with an exciting 68-64 overtime win over the Red Level Tigers. The Gamecocks' Robbie Kinsaul nailed a long three-pointer at the buzzer to send the game into overtime, and New Brockton then took charge to gain the road win. Fate Harrison scored 22 points to lead the (13-7) Gamecocks, while Josh Lewis added 13. Jamie Wright poured in 33 points to lead (12-7) Red Level.

## Lady Gamecocks fall to Red Level 45-32

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks saw their record slip to 7-13 last week with a 45-32 loss to the Red Level Lady Tigers. The Lady Gamecocks trailed only 12-10 after one quarter, but saw the Lady Tigers pull away slowly to post the win. Kendra Cole scored 10 points to lead New Brockton, while Weathers scored 20 for Red Level.

## Kinston Bulldogs caged by Wicksburg 66-55

The Kinston Bulldogs saw Wicksburg pull ahead in the third quarter and hold on late as they fell to the Panthers 66-55, in Kinston. Michael Thomley scored 14 points and Henry Dawkins added 13 to lead the Panthers.

## Kinston Lady Bulldogs fall to Lady Panthers 42-28

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs remained winless on the season last week with a 42-28 loss to (7-8) Wicksburg. Hope Gauney scored 11 points to lead the Lady Panthers, while Becky Peters and Jana Posey both added 10.

## Brantley pounded by Pleasant Home 73-57

The Brantley Bulldogs lost for only the second time this season last week when they were ripped by the Pleasant Home Eagles 73-57, in Brantley. DeMario Wiley scored 13 points to lead the (13-2) Bulldogs, while Zack Burnett added 12 and Earl Tillis scored 10. Paul Little scored 25 points to pace the (15-2) Eagles.

## Zion Chapel falls to Houston Academy 53-36

The Zion Chapel Rebels saw their victory drought continue Saturday afternoon in a 53-36 loss to the Houston Academy Raiders. Josh Grantham scored 15 points to lead the (2-14) Rebels, while Michael Wyder led (14-4) Houston Academy with 15 points.

## Z.C. Lady Rebels fall to Lady Raiders 63-23

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels were simply no match for the Houston Academy Lady Raiders Saturday afternoon as they fell 63-23, in Dothan. Kendra Ward scored 17 points to lead Zion Chapel, while Ashley Steensland scored 17 for Houston Academy.

## New Brockton blasts Straughn 75-53

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks upped their record to 14-7 Saturday night with a 75-53 win over the Straughn Tigers. Jason McKenzie scored 19 points to lead New Brockton, while Josh Lewis added 15 points and Kellen Cole added 11 points and grabbed 16 rebounds. Andy White scored 22 points to lead Straughn.

## Lady Gamecocks fall to Lady Tigers 42-36

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks saw their record slip to 8-14 Saturday night with a 42-36 loss to the (14-4) Straughn Lady Tigers. The Lady Tigers owned a 32-23 lead after three quarters and held on for the win. Crystal Burrows scored 10 points to lead New Brockton, while Leigh Ann McVay scored 18 points to lead Straughn and Brandy Evans added 11.

## NEXT WEEK...

## A LOOK AT THE TOURNAMENTS

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days. The law allows for a \$10,000 civil penalty against either excavators not adhering to the law or damaging facilities, or utility companies not responding or correctly marking facilities.

"The Alabama Line Location Center serves not only to curb vital utility service losses, but also to prevent injuries, and even deaths, from occurring as a result of accidents associated with errant digging," said Annette Reburn, executive director of the Alabama Line Location Center.

"A call to the Alabama Line Center is a two-minute process that can save lives and prevent service disruptions that can potentially affect millions. Telecommunication lines are vital to so many aspects of our daily lives that their uninterrupted operation is truly essential."

Reburn stresses that it is not only necessary for contractors and excavators to use the one-call center, but also homeowners. Power and gas lines that run to homes present a

potentially hazardous situation for a homeowner installing something as simple as a new fence or mailbox post.

The Alabama Line Center Location began operations in 1975 as a joint venture with some of the Birmingham area's major utility companies. After about a year of operation, there was enough interest in the organization's services that the need for a statewide agency arose. Utility companies became members and call center volume steadily increased as the Center became more widely recognized. In 1994, it was incorporated as a non-profit corporation. Now, more than a quarter of a million calls are answered annually.

The EMA director urged anyone involved in digging near the edge of the roads, and other likely areas, should insure that the location of utility lines of all types are clearly marked before starting excavation—even shallow excavation.

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informed commissioners that the \$55,000 grant from the Alabama Department of Transportation had been received and work is set to begin on the resurfacing of Pine Leaf Drive, Yellow Leaf Drive, Myrtlewood Drive and Augusta Street which are all located in his district.

Other matters coming before the commission were as follows:

\*\*\*Approved advertising for sealed bids on the sale of used pans (earth moving equipment) by the county highway department.

\*\*\*Approved the sending out of bid requests on the purchase of new pans (earth-moving equipment).

\*\*\*County Engineer Randy Tindell received approval to add on to the county shop. He stated that the cost of the addition should be below the state bid law and would not have to be bid.

\*\*\*Approved cemetery at New

Haven Assembly of God Church in the Frisco Community. The county health department has given approval to do so.

\*\*\*Bid requests are to be sent out on a computer system upgrade for the sheriff's department (hardware & software). The funds have been included in this year's budget.

\*\*\*Voted to join both the Elba and Enterprise Chambers of Commerce. A contract of services has been provided to the county from both organizations. The annual dues are \$150 to each Chamber.

\*\*\*Judy Hurley was appointed to serve as an alternate from the county on the Wiregrass R.C. & D. Board.

\*\*\*At the request of Charles Webb, director of Coffee County's Emergency Management Agency, the tattered U. S. flag which flies over the County Complex will be replaced by a new one and the old one will be properly disposed of.

## City (Continued from Page One)

the next council meeting the mayor is also to get an estimate on the cost of repairing the leaking roof. This motion passed unanimously.

Police Chief R. W. Whitworth reported the old fire siren is not being used to call up the firemen. He explained that until a tornado warning system is installed, this siren blowing will denote to those hearing it that severe weather is coming.

Whitworth also reported the department has been spending a lot of time getting ready for an upcoming session of the grand jury.

At Whitworth's request, the council went into executive session for 17 minutes for the purpose of discussing an officer's good name and character. No action was taken on anything discussed in this closed session.

The council voted to allow the mayor, city clerk and city attorney to negotiate renewal of the city's liability insurance.

The council also voted unanimously to approve a recommendation of the zoning board and rezoned a large section of 203 Bypass to B-2 (business).

City Clerk Donnie Morrow reported that the garbage collector conversion was going slowly but the new company will continue to empty the green cans until the new brown cans are delivered to the homeowner. He also said progress is being made on improving the pick-up schedule in the business district.

Mayor Grimes reminded council members of the Chamber of Commerce banquet set for Saturday night.

## Remembering the wash days of yesteryear

by Faye Holliday  
Special To The Elba Clipper

"Dampened clothes will not mildew for several days if you put them into the lower part of the refrigerator."

SAY WHAT?! I found the above tidbit of information under "For Wash Day," on the last sheet of a '98 calendar I was about to toss. What caught my eye were the many measures and weights, etc. that you don't ordinarily have lying around the house; then I happened to glance at the wash day hints.

Now, this is 1999 - and I don't know about you ladies out there - but I don't sprinkle clothes any more - in fact I don't iron once or twice a year and catch everything up!

For those modern, young home-makers out there who don't even know what it means to "put dampened clothes in the refrigerator," let me explain how it used to be. You washed your clothes, STARCHED the ones you wanted to be stiff and slick, by dipping in a starch solution, wringing out (by hand), and hanging out to dry, later on in the day you took them down, then SPRINKLED them. This was done by dipping your hand in water and literally sprinkling the clothes. As time went on, little bottles with holes in the stoppers could be acquired for this purpose, and it was so much easier. I don't imagine my Mama ever had one, but I did - and in fact I still have one of them. Every time I see it, I shudder and push it to the back of the cabinet where it is stored as a keepsake.

The water had to be evenly applied over the garment or cloth; this was important, as it determined the effect of ironing.

Long long ago, starch was made by boiling the slippery white, powdery substance in water for a certain length of time, then diluting to make enough for all the starchables. Then it became available in liquid form in bottles, ready to be diluted. This also was easier, time-saving and convenient.

Okay - so the clothes are washed, starched, dried, sprinkled - THEN they were rolled up tightly, and put into a container, usually a pillow case, and put into the refrigerator. I don't remember where they were kept before refrigerators came on the scene; but the purpose was to allow time for the moisture to be evenly distributed over the entire garment. When plastic bags became available that also was better as the plastic held the moisture in.

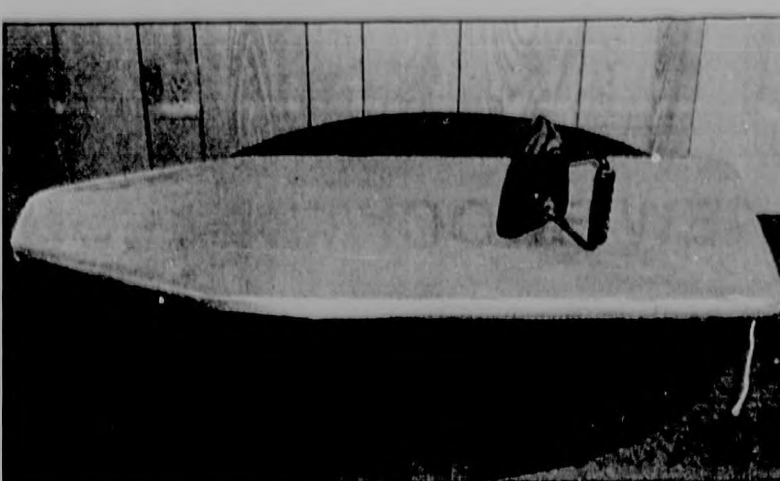
So, this little bit of advice was meant for those women who didn't get around to ironing their clothes right away.

In those bygone days you could ask the lady of the house what she had been doing that day - usually Monday was wash day - and she would say, "Washing, starching and ironing!"

And, by the way, this "washing and ironing" were not done with electricity - no-irons - it was the old wash tub and hanging block, with water drawn from the well or pumped, and the scrubbing and wringing done by hand - then the hanging out, taking in, sprinkling, and ironing - with the old "smoothing iron," heated by the fire on the wood stove. Winter or summer, there had to be a fire - and two irons were necessary - one heating while the other was in use, then exchanging.

I still chide myself for some of the things I used to iron, and think of what I could have been doing instead. Of course by the time my housekeeping days came along, electricity was the power friend of the housewife.

I have NEVER ironed sheets - but did do pillow cases, my husband's T-shirts and shorts, and other unnecessary stuff. As he was in the military when we married, his wind-blown clothes had to be slick and wrinkle-free.



Does This Picture Bring Back Memories??

free, and I guess I figured inspectors might want to check his underwear also to see if it was up to standard!

I remember my first attempt at ironing his fatigues. It wasn't going too well - the wrinkles kept reappearing, and suddenly I had had it. I wadded that olive green-and-tan piece of military garb up and gave it a heave across the room and behind the bed. But, as my mama was not there to pick it up and iron it for me, I had to simmer down, go get it and keep ironing! Soon the practice paid off, and his uniforms were smoothly ironed and straightly creased as required.

Nowadays spray starch and dryers eliminate most of the above steps on wash day; and lots of people take their clothes to the laundry and dry cleaners so they don't have to worry about "starching and ironing."

Most modern homes aren't cluttered by clotheslines either; but as I live in the country and have a yard and not a lawn, my clothesline fits right in. And I use it most of the time to hang out clothes. I especially like to hang my sheets; there's nothing as fresh as the sun-dried, wind-blown smell of clothes hung

outside. Some years ago Charles Kuralt did a feature on folks still hanging clothes on clotheslines, and it warmed my heart to see pictures of them flying and flapping in the sunny breezes across the country.

Of course clothes used to be made entirely of cotton - and it was necessary to iron them to look nice. But oh, what a wonderful day when polyester and all the blends came along!

My husband and I do have some garments that require ironing - and we get to wear them every now and then when I get in the ironing mood - which is not too often. I'll pass by them hanging in the laundry room and sigh, and think "I surely would like to wear that" - but, as Scarlett O'Hara always said, "tomorrow is another day!" and maybe I'll feel more like ironing on one of those tomorrows!

Erma Bombeck (or maybe Phyllis Diller) once said she had five years of ironing buried in the back yard - how many times I would have liked to do something similar with my bag of sprinkled clothes!

## ESJC's Fall Career Training Program



GRADUATES OF Enterprise State Junior College's Career Training Program for fall semester are: (front row, l-r): Keela Walker, Elba; Tammy Stewart, Chancellor; Lucia Crofford, Ft. Rucker; Tanisha Flowers, Enterprise; (middle row, l-r): Tony Murphy, Coffee Springs; Donna Boudreaux, Ozark; Gloria Holland, Geneva; LaDonna King and Melissa Reese, Enterprise; (back row, l-r): Susie Par, Geneva; Kay Martin, Slocomb; Carolyn Duncan, New Brockton; Sue Porter, Enterprise; Madeline Everitt, Chocoma; Kay Bourque, Enterprise; and program director Julie Snelling.

The Career Training Program serves men and women who need support and encouragement to enable them to return to school or re-enter the work force. For more information about the upcoming session contact Mrs. Julie Snelling at 334/393-ESJC, Ext. 314.

## Wal-Marts to battle for 1999 grocery business

The battle for America's grocery dollar will be more fierce than ever next year and the major aggressor is Wal-Mart, "a foreign interloper to the supermarket business whose reputation for battlefield ferocity is unmatched in the history of economic warfare," says a University of Alabama retail expert says.

"At stake are the distribution channels for grocery products in the United States," says Dr. Robert Robicheaux, Bruno Professor of Retailing at UA's Culverhouse College of Commerce and Business Administration. "The targets are supermarkets as we know them."

Preparing for the siege of 1999 are well-known national and regional supermarket retailers who have for many decades dominated the channels for food distribution. They have supplied the nation's bread, butter, milk, produce and meat - usually operating at marginally profitable levels, Robicheaux said.

Wal-Mart, the \$140 billion behemoth, has posted its official notice to the world - there will be 2,000 new grocery formats added to Wal-Mart stores in 1999.

"The battle will be brutal," Robicheaux says. "It will be a struggle to the death for many. What Wal-Mart has done to alter the competitive landscape in general merchandise marketing it seeks to do in the grocery industry. Producers and food brokers will stand by - praying for the best but fearing the worst. What will happen to them if Wal-Mart displaces a significant percentage of the supermarket business now flowing through the targeted grocery retailers? Their businesses will be turned upside down."

Robicheaux says he expects to see some well-known super-markets collapse in total disarray, following the initial salvos launched next year. Some will seek shelter under the financial skirts of other supermarket companies that are bigger, stronger, and better armed to do battle with Wal-Mart. Others will seek partnerships-locking arms to consolidate with other supermarket operators hoping that their economies of scale will enable them to withstand the battering from Wal-Mart that will last for many years.

Stay tuned for reports on the evening news of the early skirmishes, Robicheaux says.

evening news of the early skirmishes, Robicheaux says. "Wal-Mart is coming after the supply chain that links your stomach to the agriculture and packaged goods suppliers in the United States."

Contact: Dr. Robert A. Robicheaux, 205/343-8919 (office); 205/345-2877 (home).

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8TH GRADE  
Randy Danford, Jody McCormick, Melanie McGlothlen, Delora Moore, Joseph Sawyer

9TH GRADE  
Lauren Allums, Brooke Anderson, Kendra Cole, Jenna Donaldson, Justin Edwards, Ashley Green, Veronica Hernandez, Jeffery Rogers, Tabitha Walden, Jeremy Windham

10TH GRADE  
Jeffrey Campbell, Kelley Hilyer, Jessica Parrish

11TH GRADE  
Rachael Carroll, Kellen Cole, Britany Mobley, Crystal Tatem, Tasha Tidwell, Mandy Yohn

12TH GRADE  
Clint Anderson, Justin Campbell, Travis Kelley, Paul McMonagle

## A-B

7TH GRADE  
Tommy Adkinson, Jerod Bell, Bryan Carpenter, Kyle Cheeseborough, Brittany Cooper, Diane Cotter, Tiffany Harrison, Jason Edwards, Amanda Estrada, Paige Grizzard, Gary Henderson, Megan Holloway, Alicia Howell, Brittani Jones, Brandon Pynes

8TH GRADE  
Jeremy Anderson, Connie Brown, Bettie Brust, Wendy Driggers, Candace Dunn, Kelli Green, Jonathan Hart, Wendy Headlip, Daniel Hernandez, Glenn Kelley, Renita Lawson, Bre McKenzie, Dusty Medley, Katy Roberts, Travis Slawson, Chris Spivey

9TH GRADE  
Jessica Eubanks, Cassidy Flowers, Demetrius Foster, Laura Horton, Devin Kelley, Steven Lawson, Jeremy Mack, Andrea McDermott, Nicholas Quincey, Brett Pearson, Josh Rodgers, Ashley Senn, Emily A. Smith, Emily D. Smith, Tiffany Smith, David Sunday

10TH GRADE  
Nichol Cox, Lorie Donaldson, Chris Hines, Troy Jernigan, Jimmy Layton, Kelli Nichols, Jessi Padilla, Ashley Paul, Jacob Quincey, Nathan Rainey, Rodney Taylor, David Virag, Matt Windham

11TH GRADE  
Jamey Anderson, April Cooper, LeAnn Griffin, Keisha Hall, Pate Harrison, Michael Jenkins, Maurice Jones, Roni Knight, Christa McGlothlen, Samantha Mittelbach, Amber Moates, Leticia Smith, Cody Walker

12TH GRADE  
Jessica Anderson, Preston Bookman, Jennifer Bryant, Crystal Burrows, Tim English, Jamilla Flowers, Justin Hughes, Joey Johnson, Emmer Lolley, April Maddox, Erica Newman, Koko Shepherd, Jessica Truitt, Haley Wisson, Brandie Head

## Second Reporting Period

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Alabama Archives offers research for African American roots

The Alabama Department of Archives and History will offer a workshop for researching African American family history, to be held Saturday, Feb. 20, at the Alabama Archives, 624 Washington Ave., Montgomery.

Frazine Taylor will explore the use of various genealogical periodicals as resources while searching family history. These periodicals include many sources of hidden information.

There is limited seating for the workshop, and Feb. 12 is registration deadline. Pre-registration fee is \$15 per person, which includes materials and a mid-morning break.

For information call 334/242-3463, Ext. 244, 272, or 275.



THE PHI BETA LAMBDA business organization at Enterprise State Junior College hosted a Christmas party for the college's Kindercollege last December. Club members brought presents for the children, pictured (l-r): Tyrone Johnson, Hunter Trammell, Marissa Hall, Brian Charles and Nick Holland. Club members are (l-r) Dana Mayhew, Enterprise, Colleen Florence, Dothan; Michelle Sawyer, Troy; Roberta Gideon, Elba; Tracie Setzer, Chancellor, Frank Carbone, Daleville.

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## IRS offers Saturday hours for taxpayers assistance

The Internal Revenue Service will offer special extended walk-in service at 202 West Adams St., Suite A, on three Saturdays this filing season. The office will be open Jan. 30, Feb. 6, and April 10, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Taxpayers may pick up forms and publications, get answers to account and tax law questions, receive verification of their individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), and make payments.

The office is also open 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday. Other means are also available for tax services: taxpayers with tax law or account questions can call the IRS toll-free help line - 1-800-

829-1040 - 24 hours a day, seven days a week; free forms and publications are available through a toll-free order line at 1-800-829-3676, on the IRS website at [www.irs.ustreas.gov](http://www.irs.ustreas.gov) and through TaxFax - call 703/368-9694.

In addition, taxpayers may receive return preparation assistance from IRS's local Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs.

For more information on VITA sites, contact Kay Stevens at 334/793-2813; for TCE locations, contact Gwen Bonham with AARP at 334/573-2253.

## KINSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 2nd NINE WEEKS

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#### 1ST GRADE

Brandon Bolaski, Jake Blackmon, Lee Devine, Gavin Free, Jacob Hataway, Bethany Holley, Amber Jacobs, Brian Lasiter, Joseph Nobles, Kallie Rhodes, Erin Shaw, Amber Smith, Chelsea Weatherington, Abby Williams

#### 2ND GRADE

James Berry, AJ Davis, Brittney Donaldson, Blaine Drury, Emily Farris, Jessie Grogg, Tinell Harrison, Josh Lowery, Casey Mack, Amber McCall, Amber McKinney, Garret Parker, Candace Patterson, Ramsey Phillips, Haley Spears

#### 3RD GRADE

Billy Johnson, Kim Mack, Richard Parrish, Josh Reeves, Lee Watson

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Dalton Fuller, Maeghann Hawthorne, Wesley Hunko, Alex Kelley, Erick Odum, Nicholas Weeks, Judd Williamson, Tyler Wilson, Eric Wise

#### 5TH GRADE

Whitney Davis, Aaron Jacobs, Heather Marlowe, John Moss, Kourtney Pierce, Caitlin Tindell, Hillary Vaughan, Christie Whigham, Monica Wilford

#### 6TH GRADE

Brock Barlette, Joshua Grice, Brittany Thomaston, Courtney Weeks

#### 7TH GRADE

Ashley Carter, Joshua Driver, Brittany Hunko

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#### 2ND GRADE

Taylor Davis, Tracy Edwards, AJ Johnson, Holli Kilcrease, Allen Mack, Michelle Miller, Caleb Norris, Calina Norris, Ashton Parker, Emily Parker, Anthony Perza, Jessie Sessions, Lane Taylor

#### 3RD GRADE

Suzanne Chance, Clay Craig, Amanda Gunn, Brittney Holley, Blake Johnson, Ashley E. Kelley, Deanna Manning, Ashley McCall, Cody Mock, Lance Rushing

#### 4TH GRADE

Nicole Boswell, Angel Francisco, Bradley Hataway, Scott Jones, Ashley Laxter, Devin Mack, Dustin Reeves, Rob Sanders, Kala Seay, Zach Spann

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Ashley Carter, AJ Davis, Brittney Donaldson, Joshua Driver, Ashley Dubose, John Francisco, Whitney Frederick, Tinell Harrison, Brittany Hunko, Amber McCall, Joey McCrummen, Matt Odum, Candace Patterson, Ramsey Phillips, Matt Snell, Haley Spears

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## Prayer to St. Jude

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## Public meeting on Indian Affairs scheduled for February 18th in Madison

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